

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
SERIAL NO.: 09/896,548  
APPLICANT: van den NIEUWELAAR

**PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH TIME EXTENSION**

To the extent necessary, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) (1998) assignee hereby petitions that the period for responding to the Examiner's Action mailed on November 17, 2003 be extended for one month, up to and including April 17, 2004. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the appropriate fee for this extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.